(d) The daily average number of passenger booked for journeys between various stations, monthwise, is as under:—

Month	2001 Jhansi-New Delhi Express	2002 New Delhi Jhansi Express
July 88	284	339
Aug. 88	321	321
Sept. 88	242	297
Oct. 88	276	333
Nov. 88	288	324
Dec. 88	326	316
Jan. 89	337	339

(e) The planned route was New Delhi-Bhopal which was fully executed with the completion of electrification of Jhansi-Bhopal section.

Merger of India Tourism Development Corporation and Hotel Corporation of India

2268. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1879 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th August, 1988 and state:

(a) what is present stage of the proposal for merger of Hotel Corporation of India with the India Tourism Development Corporation; and

(b) what steps are being taken to improve the functioning of the two Corporations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) The modalities of merger of Hotel Corporation of India with ITDC are being examined by the Government.

(b) In order to improve the functioning of the Hotel Corporation of India the sales & marketing set up is being strengthened and marketing efforts are being intensified. To improve its operational efficiency the I.T.D.C. is taking the following steps:—

(i) Organising in-house training programmes for updating the skills of staff;

(ii) Paying greater attention to customer satisfaction;

(iii) Taking up a major renovation programme for improving the product.

(iv) Developing business strategies for individual hotel vis-a-vis budget targets;

(v) Streamlining the present operational systems and procedures;

(vi) Raising occupancy through high domestic and overseas marketing inputs.

Passing of the Infant Milk Foods and Feeding Bottles, Bill, 1986

2269. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 814 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 1st March, 1989 and state whether any time frame for passing of the Infant Milk Foods and Feeding Bottles (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Bill, 1986 has been fixed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Due to the busy schedule of Lok Sabha Business, the Infant Milk Foods and Feeding Bottles (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Bill, 1986 could not come up for consideration in the Winter Session of Parliament, 1988. Notices have since been given to the Lok Sabha Secretariat for consideration and passing of the Bill in the current session of Parliament, 1989.